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My generation. An autobiographical interpretation. By William Jewett Tucker. President emeritus of Dartmouth college. (New York: Houghton Mifflin company, 1919. 464 p. $4.00)

Mr. Tucker did his service for the middle west largely by proxy through those whom he trained at Andover or later attracted to Dartmouth. However, after leaving college, Mr. Tucker taught for a time at Columbus, Ohio, during the period of the civil war, and served with the United States Christian commission at Nashville and on Sherman's march to the sea. He also spent some months after his theological course in investigating religious conditions in Missouri and Kansas, but he found there little chance for constructive religious work. The present volume does not dwell upon these episodes, but rather upon the work at Andover and Dartmouth that made him the inspiring teaching executive of his generation. From the illuminating details of the narrative the reader will readily construct the magnetic personality that never strove for personal recognition, but never failed to get it. The story of the famous "Andover controversy" that now seems so remote, and of the upbuilding of the "New Dartmouth" of which he was the prime mover, is modestly but effectively told, with a charm that must impress even those who never came into personal contact with the author. The "New reservation of time" with which he closes the volume indicates that even as president emeritus he did not divorce himself from the intellectual currents that he did so much to stimulate during a busy, productive career.

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Catalogue of materials in the Archivo general de Indias for the history of the Pacific coast and the American southwest. By Charles E. Chapman, Ph.D. (Berkeley: University of California press, 1919. 755 p.)

Mr. Chapman's book arouses respect not unmixed with despair. The substantial tome is in itself a worthy tribute to the compiler's industry and good judgment during two busy years at Seville. Its inception and production bespeak a healthful spirit of coöperation between an organization founded to perpetuate state loyalty and the department of history at the state university. Moreover, the *Catalogue* and a growing list of valuable monographs to which the author has already contributed form worthy monuments to the tactful leadership of the late Mr. H. Morse Stephens and the wisely directed propaganda that he conducted throughout his adopted state, a propaganda that his successor has ably continued and extended.

The *Catalogue* is of primary importance for the early history of California, with incidental reference to Texas, New Mexico, and the border states af Mexico. The plan may well serve as a model for similar volumes, while the information it contains will be helpful to all who